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SUBJECT: THE NEW DUTCH GOVERNMENT

REF: (A) THE HAGUE 6310, (B) STATE 302741, (C) THE HAGUE 6383

1. WE BELIEVE OUR OVERALL ANALYSIS OF NEW DUTCH GOVERNMENT (THE HAGUE 6383) GOES AS FAR AT THIS TIME AS PRUDENTLY POSSIBLE IN ANSWERING QUESTIONS STATE 302741, PARTICULARLY ON VAN AGT'S LEADERSHIP AND STYLE. PRIME MINISTER WILL MAKE FIRST KEY POLICY STATEMENT JANUARY 16. EXCEPT FOR PARLIAMENTARY SESSION DECEMBER 22 ON ONE ASPECT OF WAGE POLICY SECOND CHAMBER WILL NOT MEET AGAIN UNTIL JANUARY 17. WE WILL BEAR SPECIFIC DEPT QUESTIONS IN MIND ONCE NEW GOVERNMENT SHOWS ITS HAND.

--A. PARA 2. VAN AGT BECAME PRIME MINISTER DECEMBER 19, VICE DECEMBER 8.

--B. PARA 3. DELETE WORDS "AND THE BLEND OF POLICIES" SO THAT THIRD SENTENCE WILL READ: "IN SPITE OF THE FACT THAT THE PVDA HAD EMERGED FROM THE MAY 1977 GENERAL ELECTION AS THE STRONGEST SINGLE FORCE, INCREASING ITS SEATS IN THE CHAMBER FROM 43 TO 53, IT WAS UNABLE TO REACH A MUTUALLY AGREEABLE COMPROMISE WITH THE CDA ON THE ALLOCATION OF PORTFOLIOS. CONTINUE PARA 3 AS FOLLOWS: "ACCORDING TO CDA NEGOTIATORS
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PVDA LEADERS DEMANDED TOO MUCH IN THEIR ATTEMPT TO RENEW THE MORE LOGICAL CENTER-LEFT GOVERNMENT FORMULA."

--C. PARA 5. DELETE SECOND SENTENCE AND REVISE REMAINDER OF PARA TO READ: "THE NEW GOVERNMENT ALSO HOPES ON MOST ISSUES TO RECEIVE THE SIX VOTES OF THE FOUR SPLINTER PARTIES." DROP FINAL SENTENCE OF PARA.

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